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To whom it may concern,

I have been made aware that there is a campaign of objection to the closure of the original short footpath at Wolfstones.

I have lived in the local area all my life and am a regular long distance runner and walker. I have used this footpath many times and must say that I am quite surprised that there is any objection to the closure of this short section. The property owner has made a massive effort to redirect and improve the route, going as far as putting a fish pond in place and also a seating area for people to have a rest and admire the views, which i must say, are a vast improvement on the original route which afforded no views at all except a look in to the property at either side of the original path.

I can understand that some people are opposed to change and i myself, being an avid walker and runner, abide by the footpath routes but under these circumstances i really feel that all the effort the property owner has put in in to making it a far better route, a more pleasant route, well i really don't feel that this needs any consultation. If anything, he should be applauded for taking it upon himself to improve the area taking into consideration the walkers and visitors to the area.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Yours Faithfully,

Matthew Shaw